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TRANSMITTAL

SIR:

Submitted herewith are the following:

Letter in response to Informality Re Payment 1. of Fee notification dated 3/17/99;

- Copy of the Informality Re Payment of Fee 2. notification and Revised Patent Application Fee Determination Record; and
- 3. A check in the amount of \$54.00 to cover the fee for excess claims as shown in the revised Patent Application Fee Determination Please charge any fee deficiency to Ward & Olivo Deposit Account 23-0420. copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: April 19, 1999

Respect fully submitted,

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LETTER

SIR:

Applicant hereby submits this Letter in response to Informality Re Payment of Fee notification dated 3/17/99.

(A copy of this Informality Re Payment of Fee notification as well as a revised Patent Application Fee Determination Record are attached as Appendix A hereto.) Also included herewith is a check in the amount of \$54.00 to cover the fee for excess claims as calculated on the attached revised Patent Application Fee Determination Record.

Further, applicant submits that the Patent Office's original fee determination record incorrectly calculates the number of total pending claims, and therefore also incorrectly calculates the amount due by the applicant.

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More specifically, with entry of the preliminary amendment submitted on February 19, 1999, only thirty-two (32) total claims would be pending in the above-identified application, whereas the original fee determination record indicates that forty-five (45) total claims are pending.

It is therefore submitted that the enclosed payment in the amount of fifty-four dollars (\$54.00) to cover the fee for the additional six (6) claims renders this application fully paid. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Date: April 19, 1999

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INFORMALITY RE PAYMENT OF FEE
The informality regarding the payment of the fee in connection with the original filing fee 💢 the amendment filed is indicated below.
A. FEE DUE
The amendment is considered incomplete in that the funds in Deposit Account No are insufficient to cover the entire fee due. The balance is due within the period set below.
2. The amendment is considered an incomplete response, in that payment of \$ is insufficient to cover the claims as shown in the attached Patent Application Fee Determination Record. Remittance is due within the period set below.
The amendment has not been entered, since applicant has failed to remit (or authorize charge to a Deposit Account) the fee as indicated on the attached Patent Application Fee Determination Record. Remittance on authorization is due within the period set below.
authorization is due within the period set below. 4. The filing fee of \$ submitted in this application is inspecience. A balance of \$ is due for additional claims.
APPLICANT IS GIVEN THE REMAINDER OF THE SET PERIOD FOR RESPONSE, OR ONE (I) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, WITHIN WHICH TO REMIT THE FEE OF \$ 171.00.
B. EXCESS PAYMENT:
5. It is noted that payment of \$ is in excess of the amount necessary to cover the claims now in the application. See the attached Patent Application Fee Determination Record.
This matter of refund or credit to your account is being referred to the Finance Officer, for his consideration.
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Application or Docket Number PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD Effective October 1, 1997 OTHER THAN **SMALL ENTITY CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I SMALL ENTITY** TYPE OR (Column 2) (Column 1) NUMBER FILED **NUMBER EXTRA** RATE **FEE** RATE FEE **FOR** 395.00 790.00 **BASIC FEE** OR **TOTAL CLAIMS** x\$22=minus 20 = x\$11=OR INDEPENDENT CLAIMS x41 =x82 =minus 3 = OR MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT +270= +135= OR * If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2 **TOTAL TOTAL** OR **CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II OTHER THAN** OR **SMALL ENTITY** (Column 3) SMALL ENTITY (Column 2) (Column 1) **CLAIMS HIGHEST** ADDI-ADDI-**PRESENT** REMAINING NUMBER **RATE** TIONAL TIONAL RATE **EXTRA AFTER PREVIOUSLY** AMENDMENT FE₽ FEE PAID FOR AMENDMENT x\$22=Total Minus 6 x\$11=OR x82 =Independent Minus x41 =OR FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM +270 +135= OR TÓTAL TOTAL 237 ADD/T. FEE ADDIT. FEE (Column 3) (Column 2) (Column 1) **CLAIMS** HIGHEST ADDÍ-ADDI-**PRESENT** REMAINING NUMBER TIONAL RATE TIONAL RATE **EXTRA AFTER PREVIOUSLY AMENDMENT** FEE FEE **AMENDMENT** PAID FOR #54. x\$22=OR Total Minus x82 Independent OR Minus FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM OR 270= +135= TOTAL #54 TOTAL OR DDIT. FEE ADDIT. FEE (Column 3) (Column 2) (Column 1) **CLAIMS** HIGHEST ADDI-ADDI-**PRESENT NUMBER** REMAINING **TIONAL** RATE **TIONAL** RATE **EXTRA AFTER PREVIOUSLY** ENDMENT FEE FEE AMENDMENT PAID FOR x\$22=OR Total Minus x\$11=x82= Independent x41 =OR Minus FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM OR -270= +135= If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3. TOTAL TOTAL ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."

***If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3." OR ADDIT. FEE ADDIT. FEE The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.